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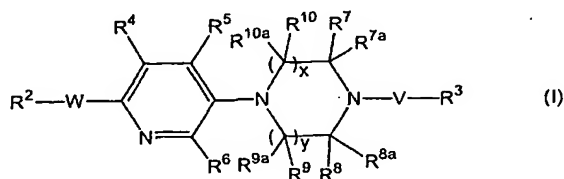
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(57) Abstract: Methods of treating an SCD-mediated disease or condition in a mammal, preferably a human, are disclosed, wherein the methods comprise administering to a mammal in need thereof a compound of formula (I): wherein W, V, x, y, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>7a</sup>, R<sup>8</sup>, R<sup>8a</sup>, R<sup>9</sup>, R<sup>9a</sup>, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>10a</sup> are defined herein. Pharmaceutical compositions comprising the compounds of formula (I) are also disclosed.